

In The Claims:

1. (Previously Presented) A dual processor system, comprising:

(a) a first processor coupled to a system address bus and a data bus; and

(b) a second processor coupled to the system address bus and to the data bus, the second processor comprising a control register having a control register system address, an internal memory, a data register having a data register system address and coupled to the internal memory, and an internal address generator coupled to the control register and to the internal memory, wherein:

a control word is written into the control register when the first processor places a control word having a burst mode bit and a starting internal address on the data bus and asserts the control register system address on the system address bus; and

the second processor enters a burst mode in which the internal address generator selects consecutive memory locations of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address specified in the control word stored in the control register, during subsequent data transfer cycles, when the control word has a burst mode bit indicating burst mode,

wherein, in a write burst mode, the first processor asserts the data register system address on the system address bus and writes subsequent data words on the data bus, and the internal address generator selects consecutive memory locations of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address, whereby the subsequent data words are written into the consecutive memory locations, and

wherein, in a read burst mode, the first processor asserts the data register system address on the system address bus and reads subsequent data words on the data bus, the internal address generator selects consecutive memory locations of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address, and the data register reads data words at the consecutive memory locations and places said data words on the data bus, whereby the subsequent data words are read from the consecutive memory locations by the first processor.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Original) ~~The dual processor system of claim 1 wherein the second processor remains in the burst mode only so long as the first processor asserts the data register system address on the system address bus.~~

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4. (Currently Amended) A dual processor system, comprising:

(a) a first processor and a least one second processor are intercoupled by a system address bus to select a co-processor in a system having many selectable devices such as other co-processors, a data bus, a chip select line, a read signal line, and a write signal line,

~~(a) a first processor coupled to a system address bus and a data bus; and~~

~~(b) a second processor coupled to the system address bus and to the data bus, the wherein~~
each second processor comprising comprises a control register having a control register system address, an internal memory, a data register having a data register system address and coupled to the internal memory, and an internal address generator coupled to the control register and to the internal memory, wherein:

a control word is written into the control register when the first processor places a control word having a burst mode bit and a starting internal address on the data bus and asserts the control register system address on the system address bus; and

~~the at least one second processor enters a burst mode in which the internal address generator selects one or more consecutive memory locations blocks of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address specified in the control word stored in the control register, during subsequent data transfer cycles, when the control word has a burst mode bit indicating burst mode[.]; and~~

wherein, in a write burst mode, the first processor asserts the data register system address on the system address bus and writes subsequent data words on the data bus, and the internal address generator selects one or more consecutive memory locations blocks of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address, whereby the subsequent data words are written into the one or more consecutive memory locations blocks.

5. (Currently Amended) A dual processor system, comprising:

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(a) a first processor and a least one second processor are intercoupled by a system address bus to select a co-processor in a system having many selectable devices such as other co-processors, a data bus, a chip select line, a read signal line, and a write signal line,

~~(a) a first processor coupled to a system address bus and a data bus; and~~

~~(b) a second processor coupled to the system address bus and to the data bus, the wherein each second processor comprising comprises a control register having a control register system address, an internal memory, a data register having a data register system address and coupled to the internal memory, and an internal address generator coupled to the control register and to the internal memory, wherein:~~

~~a control word is written into the control register when the first processor places a control word having a burst mode bit and a starting internal address on the data bus and asserts the control register system address on the system address bus; and~~

~~the at least one second processor enters a burst mode in which the internal address generator selects one or more consecutive memory locations blocks of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address specified in the control word stored in the control register, during subsequent data transfer cycles, when the control word has a burst mode bit indicating burst mode[.]; and~~

~~wherein, in a read burst mode, the first processor asserts the data register system address on the system address bus and reads subsequent data words on the data bus, and the internal address generator selects one or more consecutive memory locations blocks of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address, and the data register reads data words at the one or more consecutive memory locations blocks and places said data words on the data bus, whereby the subsequent data words are read from the one or more consecutive memory locations blocks by the first processor~~

6. (Original) The dual processor system of claim 1, wherein the second processor is a co-processor.

7. (Currently Amended) The dual processor system of claim 1, wherein:

~~the control word is written into the control register when the first processor places a control word having a burst mode bit and a starting internal address on the data bus and asserts the control register system address on the system address bus; and~~

~~the second processor enters a single data transfer mode in which the internal address generator selects the starting internal address specified in the control word stored in the control register, and the data is transferred from the first processor to a specified location into memory of the second processor during a next data transfer cycle[s] when the control word has a burst mode bit that does not indicate burst mode.~~

8. (Original) The dual processor system of claim 1, wherein the first processor and second processor are intercoupled by the system address bus to select a co-processor in a system having many selectable devices such as other co-processors, the data bus, a chip select line, a read signal line, and a write signal line.

9. (Currently Amended) The dual processor system of claim 1, wherein:

~~the internal memory comprises a computer readable medium having a plurality of memory blocks wherein data are stored in consecutive locations;~~

~~the control word comprises a computer readable medium having a the burst mode bit field, and a memory bank field which specifies a selected memory bank of the plurality of memory banks, and a computer readable medium having an internal bank address field which specifies the starting internal bank address within the selected memory bank; and~~

~~the internal address generator determines the starting internal address from the selected memory bank and the internal bank address of the control word.~~

10. (Currently Amended) ~~An integrated circuit~~ A multiprocessor system comprising a plurality of interconnected processors each having internal memory; and an interconnection comprised of ~~having a second processor for transferring data with a first processor coupled to the second processor via a system address bus and a data bus, the second processor comprising a control register means having a control register system address, an internal memory, a data register means having a data register system address and coupled to the internal memory, and an internal address generator means coupled to the control register means and to the internal memory,~~ wherein:

a control word is written into the control register means when a the first one of the plurality of interconnected ~~the first processors~~ places a control word having a burst mode bit and a starting internal address on the data bus and asserts the control register system address on the system address bus; and

a the second one of a plurality of interconnected ~~processors~~ enters a burst mode in which the internal address generator selects consecutive memory locations of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address specified in the control word stored in the control register means, during subsequent data transfer cycles, when the control word has a burst mode bit indicating burst mode,

wherein, in a write burst mode, the first one of the plurality of interconnected ~~processors~~ asserts the data register system address on the system address bus and writes subsequent data words on the data bus, and the internal address generator selects consecutive memory locations of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address, whereby the subsequent data words are written into the consecutive memory locations, and

wherein, in a read burst mode, the first one of the plurality of interconnected ~~processors~~ asserts the data register system address on the system address bus and reads subsequent data words on the data bus, the internal address generator selects consecutive memory locations of the internal memory, starting at the starting internal address, and the data register means reads data words at the consecutive memory locations and places said data words on the data bus, whereby the subsequent data words are read from the consecutive memory locations by the first one of the plurality of interconnected ~~processors~~.

11. (Currently Amended) The multiprocessor system integrated circuit of claim 10, wherein the second processor remains in the burst mode only so long as the first processor asserts the data register system address on the system address bus.

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently Amended) The multiprocessor system integrated circuit of claim 10, wherein one of the plurality of interconnected processors is a co-processor.

15. (Currently Amended) The multiprocessor system integrated circuit of claim 10, wherein one of the plurality of interconnected processors is a the first processor and another of the plurality of interconnected processors is a second processor are intercoupled by the system address bus, the data bus, a chip select line, a read signal line, and a write signal line.

16. (Currently Amended) The multiprocessor system integrated circuit of claim 10, wherein:
the internal memory comprises a computer readable medium having a plurality of memory blocks wherein data are stored in consecutive locations;

the control word comprises a computer readable medium having a the burst mode bit field, and a memory bank field which specifies a selected memory bank of the plurality of memory banks, and a computer readable medium having an internal bank address field which specifies the starting internal bank address within the selected memory bank; and

the internal address generator determines the starting internal address from the selected memory bank and the internal bank address of the control word.